

and say, “So what?” According to the FAA the average daily usage of the Soldotna Airport by individuals is roughly 41 per day, and I assure you I am not included in that number and therefore see your “reason” as being moot.

As per the City’s petition, in early June 2017 the City hired the Athena Group to engage citizens, identify issues and concerns, offer feedback on annexation, and to give the people an opportunity to be heard. The goal was to reach 30% of the population with an end result of only 2%. I won’t even go into how outrageous it is that the City of Soldotna continued on its course with these abysmal numbers. The Athena Group also offered suggestions to answer some of the concerns that had been raised. One of those four suggestions was “For two study areas (#2 and #9) there was little objection to annexation.” At the time of the Athena Group’s participation in this study Area #9 comprised of two (2) separate owners. One of which lives/lived in Anchorage, Alaska and the other in West Virginia. As for Area #2, consisting of the Tsalteshi Trails and Skyview High School (sic), where would opposition come from?

Despite paragraph after paragraph of justifying statements from the City of Soldotna, I have concluded that this annexation is a greedy land grab, plain and simple. The City speaks of its population and how the annexation will increase the population and provide for better services for its residents. With the annexation of Area #9, at the time of the study, the population would not have increased AT ALL. If the annexation were to go through, the population boost of permanent residents from Area #9 could potentially be a whopping whole four (4) residents! These numbers plainly tell me, land grab. Greed.

I am 100% opposed to the City of Soldotna’s Annexation.

Thank you,

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